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H. R. 3251

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2007

Mr. FERGUSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

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SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Medicare Safe Needle Disposal Coverage Act of 2007".

SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF HOME NEEDLE REMOVAL, DECONTAMINATION AND DISPOSAL DEVICES AND DISPOSAL OF NEEDLES AND SYRINGES THROUGH A SHARPS-BY-MAIL OR SIMILAR PROGRAM UNDER MEDICARE PART D.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1860D–2(e)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–102(e)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting after "regulations of the Secretary" the following: "and including devices approved for home use by the Food and Drug Administration for the safe and effective removal, decontamination and disposal of needles and the disposal of needles and syringes through a sharps-by-mail or similar program as medically appropriate based on volume of usage".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

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